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TO AMEMBASSY TEL AVIV IMMEDIATE

INFO AMEMBASSY CAIRO PRIORITY

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E.O. 11652: GDS

TAGS: ENRG PFOR EG IS

SUBJECT: AMOCO GULF OF SUEZ EXPLORATION: ISRAELI  
HARASSMENT

REF: (A) TEL AVIV 4491 (B) CAIRO 10819

1. AS EMBASSIES CAIRO AND TEL AVIV ARE AWARE, OUR LAST DEMARCHES IN JUNE ON ISRAELI HARASSMENT OF AMOCO GULF OF SUEZ EXPLORATION OPERATIONS REVEALED THAT THE GOI DID NOT HAVE AN AGREED GOVERNMENTAL POSITION ON THIS ISSUE. WE HAD BEEN INFORMED (REF A) THAT THIS PROBLEM WOULD BE ADDRESSED BY AN INTER-MINISTERIAL MEETING IN EARLY JULY, AND WE WERE ASKED TO POSTPONE EXPLORATIONS IN THE AREA UNTIL AFTER THAT MEETING. TO THE BEST OF OUR KNOWLEDGE THE GOI HAS YET TO DEFINE ITS POSITION ON GULF OF SUEZ OPERATIONS.

2. IN LIGHT OF REF B AND OUR CONTINUING CONCERN WITH THE PROBLEMS POSED BY ISRAELI HARASSMENT, WOULD APPRECIATE EMBASSY'S BEST CURRENT ESTIMATE OF LIKELY ISRAELI REACTION TO AMOCO OPERATIONS ON AN URGENT BASIS FOR DEPARTMENT'S  
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FURTHER ASSESSMENT. CABLE ESTIMATE TO DEPARTMENT ASAP,

INFO CAIRO. DO NOT AT THIS POINT APPROACH GOL.  
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